



Puerto Rican Educators Association, Inc.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 25, 1982
Time: 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.
Place: Twilight Studio
159 Park Ave.
Newark, New Jersey

Attendances:

Members

Margarita Vega
Carmen Pérez
Gloria A. Sandoz
Rasay S. Rivera
Gloria Torres
Olga López
Alfredo Rivera
Carmen M. Figueroa
Norma Sánchez
Gladys W. Segaria
Gilberto Colon
Orlando Muñoz
Fidelberto Soto,
Jacqueline M. Colon

Non-members

Sandra Green
Carlos Lucé
Edraín Telford

- I. Meeting commenced at 7:15 P.M. Mrs. Vega presided the meeting, since Mrs. Mitchell was in the hospital.
- II. Minutes from March 12, 1982 Board of Directors' meeting were read and approved with the following correction:
Old Business, Item (b) should read ... for the week-end of April 23-25, and not the week-end of March 23-25.
- III. No treasurer's report - Mr. Sierra was absent.

IV. Committee Reports

Membership: Carmen Figueroa reported that more letters were sent out to recruit members. New member Noel Alayón. Total membership: 36 paid members.

All arrangements for Sensitivity Training Session had been made and a package with information and instructions was given to each member.

Recreational and Cultural: Gilberto Solís informed of the Bilingual Month Parents' Day activity to be held on March 27th at Franklin School. He outlined workshops to be given by some P.R.E.A. members, and requested volunteers to help take care of the children.

Special Committee: Carmen Pérez and Norma Sánchez distributed a hand-out with details of the dance-dance fund raiser for scholarships. Tickets were made at Garden Middle School for \$12.00.

Finance: In absence of María Ariles, Nancy Rivera reported that María was in the process of securing a donation of round-trip tickets to P.R. from Caribana Agency.

V. New Business

--- Scholarship- Gloria Rivas emphasized the need to work hard for this activity P.R.E.A. started in 1979, and try to expand and welcome out of the city applicants.

--- P.R. Day Parade- Nancy Rivera briefly described P.R.E.A.'s involvement and sponsorship of the Cultural Activity of the P.R. Day Parade on Friday, July 30rd.

--- Homework Centers- Ms. Vega asked for volunteers and requested input as to type of center P.R.E.A. should sponsor.

Filberto Solís suggested P.R.E.A. contact colleges and universities to assign students to work as volunteer tutors at the centers. Carmen Figueroa volunteered to contact colleges. Ms. Vega suggested a letter be sent to all members regarding the homework centers.

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It was announced that the Executive Committee would meet with the Superintendent in April (March date was cancelled). Some of the concerns voiced by the members and to be brought up to the Superintendent were:

- a meeting with the general membership.
- Why are supervisors not monitoring 5' days a month?
- Are there going to be more Hispanic administrators?
- What is the status of Mr. J. Alameda's position?

Ridiberto Soto moved and Gilberto Colón seconded:

That F.R.E.S. send a letter to Dr. Bailey immediately to inquire of Mr. Alameda's position when Mr. Mitchell returns and stating that F.R.E.S. wants Mr. Alameda to remain as Principal in the Newark School System.

Action was passed and members requested letter reach Dr. Bailey before April 1st.

The following topics were discussed: F.R.E.S.'s inactive role in politics; the letter sent to Dr. Bailey regarding F.R.E.S.'s support for Rubén González as director of the Bilingual Dept.; the advantages of opening F.R.E.S.'s membership to other ethnic groups; the revision of the constitution and the approval of the amendments by the general membership; and Gilberto Colón's position as Field Coordinator, which was eliminated.

Ridiberto Soto suggested that F.R.E.S.:

- Sponsor a workshop dealing with promotional policy.
- Insist with Dr. Bailey so that the Title VII Computer Program be picked-up by the Board of Education so that it may continue, and
- Request that Gilberto Colón remain at the Central Office.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Rivera
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P.R.E.A.

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Superintendent's Meeting - April

1. General Membership Meeting with him.
2. Additional Administrators - No additions just shifts.
3. Jorge Alameda - Acting Principal,
April 5 - Mr. Mitchell comes back
What is status of Mr. Alameda?
Pres's position that he be made a
principal. Letter to be written and sent
before April 1, 1982

Dr. Horton
Vice Principal
Bilingual

South St. School

4. P.R.E.A. to meet with Education Committee
and make some suggestions.
5. ~~Pub~~ Schedule meeting with Superintendent before April 5
6. Special Education Teachers - had Bilingual B.C.

AREA CONTACT

CHILDREN TO
AND TUTORS TO
CHANNEL TO
OUR SCHOOLS

RUTGERS

ROBERTO CLEMENTE

FRANKLIN

Promotional Policy - P.R.E.A. to sponsor workshop
for teachers.

Bilingual Director to make a report to P.R.E.A. membership

Title VII Premisa

7. Gilberto Colon's position: to be assigned as organizer.

Title VII CAI : Angela Carreras
Melania Gandelario

9:20 P.M.